

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

BY-LAW # 35- 25

BEING A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE VOTE BY MAIL FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

WHEREAS the Municipal Elections Act, S.O. 1996, as amended, provides that a municipal Council may pass a by-law authorizing electors to use an alternate voting method.

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Township of Ryerson deems it appropriate and in the public interest to conduct municipal elections using vote by mail method.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson hereby enacts a by-law as follows:

1. The alternate voting method of 'Vote by Mail' is hereby authorized for municipal elections in the Township of Ryerson.
2. A Vote By Mail Kit will be provided to every person who qualifies to be an elector. The kit will either be mailed or directly provided to each qualified elector.
3. A Ballot Return Station shall be established at the Municipal Office on the dates and times to be designated in the procedures and rules for the vote by mail municipal election.
4. Ballot Return Station means a voting place under the supervision of a Deputy Returning Officer where electors who prefer to deliver or have delivered their completed ballots, may deposit their ballots directly into the care of the Municipal Clerk rather than forwarding their ballots by mail.
5. Every elector has the responsibility of completing the ballots in accordance with the Municipal Elections Act 1996, as amended, and the procedures authorized by this By-Law and returning the completed ballots to the Municipal Clerk by mail or by deposit at the Ballot Return Station on or before 8:00 p.m. on Voting Day.
6. No proxy voting provisions or advance voting provisions other than the Ballot Return Station are applicable at the Municipal Elections conducted in accordance with this by-Law.
7. The Municipal Clerk shall prepare procedures and rules for the vote by mail municipal election and provide these procedures and rules to each candidate when their nomination is filed.
8. Any person, corporation or trade union guilty of corrupt practices or contravening the provisions of the Municipal Elections Act 1996, as amended, of the procedures and rules established in paragraph 7 of this by-law may be prosecuted pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Elections Act 1996, as amended.
9. This By-Law shall take effect on the date of passing thereof.

Read a First, Second, and Third time,
Signed, and the Seal of the Corporation
affixed thereto and finally passed in
open Council this 25th day of
November, 2025.

Original Signed George Sterling

MAYOR

Original Signed by Nancy Field

CLERK